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General Toan, commander of Military Region 2, has withdrawn the battalion which was badly mauled by Communist forces last Friday and replaced it with a fresh unit. Toan has ordered the new unit to continue aggressive military operations in western Kontum Province. The tactics may, however, backfire on Toan. The Communists appear to be moving a second infantry regiment into the area, and there are signs that the Communists are planning to attack a government command post in the area.

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in Pleiku Province indicates the North Vietnamese are now using 152-mm artillery in this sector. The North Vietnamese have previously used 122-mm and 130-mm field guns in this region, but this is the first indication of 152-mm guns there.

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